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Middlebury has lost its best friend and the State of Vermont one of her most devoted sons. He lived not for his own happiness, but for the good he could do to this town, its people and its institutions, and to this State. No man was more generous or more unsparing of himself in his efforts for the people of this vicinity. He did good in his own way, but he did it. He had always some new plan for the good of Middlebury, and he was a tireless worker until it was accomplished. His foresight in planning public improvements proved that he had one of the keenest minds among us. His patience and persistence in carrying out his purposes testify to the strength of his character. The attractiveness of our present village was brought about in no small degree by his labors and his generosity. He provided in more ways than one for the good name of this town and its fair reputation far and wide.

He loved our mountains and hills—no man ever loved them more. He took pride in the honorable history of this town and its college and in the glorious story of Vermont. He was a man of plain speech and of good deeds. "Middlebury will miss him," is the word that is upon every lip, and Middlebury will bless his memory many days.

THE LICENSE QUESTION.

TO THE MIDDLEBURY REGISTER: The vote for no license in recent town meetings has been too close for the good name of Middlebury. If things are wrong with the present enforcement of the law, let us attend to the enforcement, sparing none. But do not let us go back to license, from the frying pan into the fire. When the town voted for license, I was not a citizen here, but I remember what I heard of the effects. They are forcibly brought to mind in a "Hill Higgins" letter by the late Horace W. Bailey, as published in his memorial volume. We do not want a return of such conditions, and the best way to avoid it is to get out a strong vote for no license.

JOHN M. THOMAS.

EDUCATIONAL HEARING.

The colleges appeared in opposition to the general education bill at the public hearing in representatives hall, Montpelier, on Tuesday evening, February 16, although they were not down on the programme to appear until Friday evening. At the close of a long and able argument to prove that the university was a State institution, Warren R. Austin of St. Albans asked that the bill be killed. A little later President Thomas of Middlebury college, responding to an open invitation to educators to tell members what was good in the bill, handled the subject with such cleverness and rhetorical adroitness that when he finished he received warm applause.

Dr. Guy Potter Benton, president of University of Vermont, said he appeared with malice toward none and charity for all. The University of Vermont appeared in opposition to no institution or individuals. He objected to the withdrawal of subsidy to the medical college especially. Perhaps the other departments might continue, but aid to the medical college was essential. He also objected to the definition of the educational system of the State in the preamble of the bill, because it did not mention the University of Vermont as a State institution. He then called on Warren R. Austin to make the principal argument for the University.

Mr. Austin's argument was a defense of the claim of the university to be a State institution. He took his audience back to colonial days and tried to show that the "Windsor constitution" of 1777 provided for a State University. The omission of all reference to a uni-

versity in the constitution of 1786, which was the first constitution actually adopted by the people of Vermont, he attributed to the political activity of Dartmouth College, which had designs upon the public lands of Vermont. In the name of the University he asked that the commission bill be killed.

Senator Simonds of St. Johnsbury made a vigorous defense of the good features of the bill and he hoped that the educators would get together and help draft a bill that would embody the good features of the Commission's recommendations. He said the Carnegie Foundation spent \$20,000 on the Vermont investigation and did not charge a cent. Personally he hoped that the colleges would receive aid and also that the back towns should have better schools.

President John M. Thomas of Middlebury College agreed with Senator Simonds. He said he was ready to accept advice from outside the State and appealed to the legislators to act free from prejudice. He reviewed the history of education in the State. He criticized the sections in the bill which changed the system from town control of schools to State "superintendency." He advised to improve schools as they did their roads. He then discussed sections he would have retained, mentioning Part III, chapter 1, on Examination and Certification of Teachers. Increase teachers' salaries, he urged. That is the main point. More proficient teachers would be possible under a system of payment to towns for teachers' salaries when graduates of normal schools and teachers training classes are employed. Make it worth while for the girls to teach. You will then fill up the teachers' training courses and the normal schools. He believed the State superintendent should have two assistants for efficient supervision.

Speaking of the colleges, he said they were all proud of the record of the University of Vermont, and would freely grant that it was "a great public institution of the State," as Mr. Austin had quoted from Chief Justice Samuel Prentiss. But, he added, we ought all to be generous enough to admit that Norwich University is also a public institution of Vermont, and he hoped Middlebury College could be included in the same list. He quoted figures to show the advance in Middlebury College. "We oppose no assistance to any other institution. We ask only for fair treatment of Middlebury College and that you do not tear the love of the State from our hearts."

MEETING OF ADVISORY COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Advisory Council of the Addison County Farmers' Association was held in Middlebury, on February 19. Report of the progress were made by the Committee men or their substitutes from the different towns: Bridport, R. L. Hemiway; Bristol, Ralph Denio; Ferrisburg, W. H. Dean; Lincoln, J. M. Parinton; Middlebury, E. B. Cornwall; Monkton, Mr. Lamb; New Haven, C. E. Palmer; Panton, Mr. Day; Salisbury, M. A. Thomas; Shoreham, D. F. McCauley; Starksboro, W. N. Hill; Vergennes, Mr. Day; Weybridge, E. L. Wright; Waltham, Mr. Day; Whiting, Arthur Wooster. Reports by telephone were received from F. S. Foote of Cornwall and R. S. Hall of Orwell.

It was decided that the canvass for members should be completed by March 2nd, so that the association might notify the Federal Government that it is in line for the next County Advisor to be started in Vermont. Two other counties are organizing rapidly so that haste is imperative. Pres. W. N. Cady, presided at the meeting and E. B. Cornwall acted as Secretary pro tem. The following description of the dates of a County Agent was read from "The Farm Management Monthly."

DUTIES OF COUNTY AGENTS.

1. He studies the agriculture of the county to learn what is being done and what is worth while agriculturally in each part of it. This study includes farm financial and organization surveys.
2. He gives the results of his studies to farmers, not in the way of advice, but as facts observed and conclusions drawn. This is done through the local press, lectures, institutes, circulars, short courses and personal interviews.
3. Based on these local studies and the ascertained needs of the county, clubs, association, and the like are organized and the individuals solicited to undertake definite lines of agricultural improvement on their own farms. Organizations are also formed for cooperative buying and marketing and the standardization of farm products.
4. He co-ordinates all existing agricultural agencies within the county so that all may work unitedly and efficiently.
5. He develops local leadership. The task of improving the agriculture of an entire county is so stupendous that the agent must be primarily an administrator. He must inspire and accept the help of voluntary assistants in work.
6. He acts as the connecting link between the scientists of the research institutions of the State and nation and the farmer, presenting the results of investigations in such a way that the farmer can use them and calling attention of scientists to the local agricultural problems of the county and soliciting their assistance.

ing their assistance.

7. He gives advice. This may relate to spraying, seed treatment, mixing fertilizers, combatting insect pests, cultural practices, or other miscellaneous matters which are the stock in trade of every well informed agent. We place the giving of advice seventh on the list because in actually improving the agriculture of the county it is probably of least importance, though in point of time it may be the first work undertaken.

MIDDLEBURY LOCALS.

E. W. Chambers of Burlington spent the week-end with friends in town.

Wallace C. Foote of Vergennes, who has been the guest of his mother, returned Thursday.

Miss Pauline Aines is conducting a large chorus class of students of the High school on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in Miss Clark's room in the Graded school building.

A recital by the pupils of Mrs. Shackett was given in the Grange hall Monday evening, February 22, at 7:30 o'clock, in honor of Washington's birthday. An excellent program was prepared and was well rendered.

The Bi Beta Kappa society of the college has been fortunate in securing for the public meeting of March 18 Dr. Talcott Williams of New York city. He has long been known as a journalist, lecturer and man of affairs and, at present, is director of the School of Journalism at Columbia University.

The students of Middlebury college Thursday night gave a send-off to Ray L. Fisher, who left Saturday for Savannah, Ga., to go into training with his team, the New York Americans. The students presented Fisher with a loving cup in McCullough gymnasium and members of the faculty spoke.

There are over 100 persons who have not as yet paid their taxes to Constable Seeley. Under the present law delinquent taxpayers cannot vote in town meeting. A list of names of those who have not paid has been filed by the constable with the town officers to be used at election next Tuesday.

Warner Sap Spout

The only perfect sap-spout manufactured begins early in the morning, runs late at night, and runs several buckets full after all other spouts have dried the tree up. For sale by all dealers. Manufactured by GEO. D. JARVIS & CO., Burlington, Vermont.—adv.

Church Notes.

MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH.
Rev. Roy E. Whittenmore, Pastor.
Morning worship at 10:45 o'clock. The pastor will preach, Subject, "Follow Him Me." The Bible school meets at 12 o'clock. The lesson, "Samuel the Victorious Leader." Classes for all visitors welcomed at any session.
Union conference of all Bible school workers at 4 p. m. in this church. Rev. C. A. Boyd, superintendent of the Vermont Sunday School association, will lead the conference.
Christian Endeavor meeting at 6:30 p. m. Topic, "What Will Improve Our Prayer Meeting?" Led by prayer meeting committee.
Union services in the Methodist church at 7:30, with address by Rev. C. A. Boyd.

METHODIST CHURCH.
D. H. Corkran, pastor.
Morning worship, 10:45. Bible school at noon. Epworth League at 6:45. Union services, 7:30. Rev. Mr. Boyd, general secretary of the Vermont Sunday School association, will speak.

Mrs. Marion H. Thomas.

Mrs. Marion H. Thomas, wife of the late Rev. Chandler N. Thomas, died at the residence of her son, President John M. Thomas of Middlebury college, Friday morning.

Mrs. Thomas was born in Poultney, Vermont, March 27, 1840, the daughter of Andrew J. P. and Huldah Thompson Martin. In her childhood her parents moved to Malone, N. Y. After graduation from Franklin Academy, Malone, she became a teacher, first in district schools and later as preceptress of the academy.

In 1865 she was married to Chandler N. Thomas, and for seventeen years her home was in the Presbyterian parsonage at Fort Covington, New York. Mrs. Thomas's subsequent pastorates were at Port Henry, N. Y., New Haven, Vt., and Bristol, Vt., in all of which Mrs. Thomas was an efficient helper. For the past six years her home has been in Middlebury. She is survived by a brother, John J. Martin of Malone, N. Y., and three sisters, Mrs. Joseph F. Wright, Mrs. Nelson H. Miner and Mrs. Charlotte Wood, all of Malone. Besides the children of President Thomas, two grandchildren, daughters of the late Frank W. Thomas, survive, their home being in Castle Rock, Colo. Funeral services at the house Sunday at 2 p. m.

Cut This Out Now

If you don't want it today, you may next week. Send this advertisement and 5 cents to Foley & Co., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You receive in return three trial packages—Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for coughs, colds, croup and grippe; Foley Kidney Pills for weak or disordered kidneys or bladder; Foley Cathartic Tablets, a pleasant, whole some and cleansing purgative, just the thing for winter's sluggish bowels and torpid liver. These well known standard remedies for sale at Frost's Pharmacy.—adv.

WEYBRIDGE

Rev. J. D. Angell of Gloverville, N. Y., was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Hagadorn last Saturday and Sunday and preached interesting sermons at both the morning and evening services of the local church.

Mrs. H. D. Elliott is confined to the house by a severe illness. Dr. P. L. Dorey is in attendance.

Miss Stella Turner of Middlebury, a former teacher in the village school, is in town for a few days visiting relatives and calling on friends.

Mrs. H. A. Boies, who has been seriously ill for some time, still continues to gain slowly.

During the offertory at the morning service of the local church, Charles M. Baker and daughter, Emma, sang a duet in their usual faultless manner.

Mrs. Louise Gaultlett, who has been confined to the house by illness the past week, is better.

Vice-President H. K. Twitchell of the Chemical National bank, Mrs. Twitchell and niece, Miss Bernice Twitchell, were week end guests at the Twitchell home, returning to New York city Monday night.

The annual meeting of the New Haven West cemetery association will be held at the town hall in Weybridge immediately at the close of town meeting. All who are interested are requested to attend.

SHOREHAM CENTER.

Mr. Lapell has rented his tenement house to Mr. Hill, who has moved from the Douglas house.

Miss Radigan went Friday to her home in Castleton, returning Monday.

Sarah Burnell has been staying a few days in East Shoreham with Mrs. Julius Barker.

Leslie Dayton of Bridport was a business visitor at the Center Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dumas went Saturday to visit their son in Bennington, returning Monday evening.

Wallace Ikey was a Middlebury visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elridge of Bridport were week end visitors of Dr. and Mrs. Townsend.

Marguerite Lapell and her uncle, Amos Wissel, were in Brandon Saturday.

Mrs. Charles Cook spent last week with Chas. Cook in Montpelier.

Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. Zene Baldwin and Mrs. Richards attended the D. A. R. meeting at Mrs. Platt's.

Mr. and Mrs. Lapell were in Rutland Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Baldwin from Mt. Holly visited at Mr. Duffany's and Mr. James Baldwin's.

Thomas Grimes has purchased the Atwood place.

WEST CORNWALL

Mrs. W. Bingham picked six pansy blossoms in her garden on Tuesday and there were several buds ready to bloom.

Maurice Bingham was not able to return to school early in the week, owing to having a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Drollette entertained on Friday of last week, her brother-in-law, George A. Miner of Helena, Mont., and Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Sanford and daughter, Pauline of Middlebury.

Mr. and Mrs. L. DeWitt were guests at a dinner party at Hiram Fairchild's in Shoreham on Tuesday evening.

A few of the neighbors enjoyed a pleasant evening at L. DeWitt's on the evening of the 22nd. Cards were played and refreshments served.

Miss Belle Blair was in Burlington early in the week.

Frank Mahew has lately had a telephone placed in his house.

It is a baby boy at Fred Doner's. Mrs. M. O. Field was in Shoreham early in the week, and Mr. Field went to Boston with stock as usual. Mr. Nourse of that place, who has been his guest returned with him.

Those Ladies who attended the missionary meeting at Mrs. Mahew's on the 18th enjoyed it much. Mrs. L. M. Taylor at the invitation of the society gave a report of the meeting, at Philadelphia, Pa., to which she went as delegate.

Fred Mahew had the misfortune to have a lodged tree fall on him breaking a small bone in one leg. He is doing well. Dr. Dorey attends him.

Mrs. Louise DeLong is at C. H. DeLong's in Shoreham for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. Summers Spaulding are still at their farm in Bridport.

Mrs. N. D. Morse was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Morse.

Frank Sheldon of Shoreham was here on Monday repairing the chimneys on his house which a recent wind blew down.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cook and baby and Mr. and Mrs. David Ogilvie of Proctor were over Sunday guests at C. J. Lowell's.

Mrs. William Simonds has been a recent guest there.

Mrs. Peter Brusco is in poor health.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius P. Currier, who was Miss Beatrice Wells of Leicester, are living with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moses Currier.

SUDBURY

Mrs. E. H. Farnham is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Farnham in Waterbury.

Roy Foster is spending some time with his father in Montpelier.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jenks of Benson, spent Sunday at Walter Jenks's.

Mrs. William Tupper is with her daughter, Mrs. George Griffin, in Brandon.

Joseph Colby is visiting in Bristol.

Delmar Griffin is at the Mary Fletcher Hospital, Burlington, for an operation for appendicitis. His mother, Mrs. Edward Griffin, accompanied him.

Charles Graves returned from Burlington Tuesday.

Miss Carrie Everts spent Sunday at her home in Salisbury.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Sawyer spent Friday in Rutland.

Mrs. Mary Green of Whiting is visiting at Edward Horton's.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Trudo were in Salisbury, Sunday, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Trudo's mother, Mrs. Louise Baker.

Tuesday evening 50 friends of Mr. and Mrs. John White, gave them a surprise party at their home, the occasion being the 35th anniversary of their marriage. Games were played, refreshments were served and they were presented with a purse of money.

Sudbury grange met Thursday evening with the following program: Piano solo, Mrs. A. E. Sawyer; paper, "Personal Characteristics of George Washington," Will Damon; reading, Mrs. John Spaulding; "How does the grain yield of 1914 compare with that of the previous year?" Lester Burt; discussion, "What measure should we as a Grange endeavor to have enacted at our present legislature," led by C. W. Jones, reading, Mrs. Clinton Mallory.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Selleck, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Selleck, Miss Grace Felton and Scott Felton, were in Castleton, Wednesday evening, to attend the wedding of Miss Charlotte Crippen and Hugh Selleck.

NEW HAVEN.

The text last Sunday from which G. C. Hendry based his discourse upon was "The Fool Hath Said in His Heart, 'There is No God.'"

The funeral of Prof. Hoag's father was attended this week at his late home, at La Motte.

Mrs. Alice Douglass and her daughter, of Cornwall, visited her father and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Adams, in the early week.

Russell Everest and Clifford Elmer were guests at Horace Elmer's in East Middlebury a few days since.

Miss Addie Wright of the Free Press office in Burlington, was a week end visitor at her brother's A. G. Wright remaining over the holiday, February 22.

Miss Marianne Landon was in Middlebury last Sunday.

M. J. Landon continues about the same.

The usual town meeting dinner will be given by the Ladies Union March 2.

Jud Williams of Charlotte was in town recently looking after his wells which are being drilled for water.

Edward Dana is at E. A. Lee's in Vergennes for treatment. He is a victim of the dread disease, infantile paralysis having to use of his limbs. He is confined to a wheel chair.

P. H. Tyrell is moving his goods this week from the Russell farm, to the Sherrod Brown place on Beech Hill, which he is to carry on this season, and E. N. Adams and son take the Russell farm.

Oscar Poulin goes to Shoreham this spring, we are told, to look after the cheese factory interest. His brother Raymond is engaged for the season on the S. D. Doud farm.

Beaver Glenn Grange has a fine program for the meeting this (Friday) evening, February 26.

A pleasant gathering of friends met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Elmer on Thursday of last week, the occasion being the birthday anniversary of Mr. Elmer, who was 59 years of age. There were present Mr. and Mrs. John Elmer, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Adams of Addison, E. C. Rider, wife and son, and George Everest and wife of New Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Wright of Waltham have announced the engagement of their daughter, Ethel Ardelle, to Carlton Edgar McNeil of Charlotte.

Intelligence has been received here by friends of the death last week of Charles Wicker at his home in Niagara Falls. The deceased had been in ill health from hardening of the arteries for some time, but the immediate cause of death was a fall upon the ice, and in his weakened condition could not rally. He was a brother of Mrs. S. D. Doud. He was nearly 54 years of age.

LIVE STOCK NOTES.

A bunch of good shotes will make the best market for skimmilk this winter.

One reason that America has not produced horses so large as those produced in Europe is because, as a rule, we are more stingy feeders.

Too many farmers have not learned that it is all wrong to feed a cow on feed that produces heat instead of lard and muscle.

Every hog house should be fitted with a good ventilating shaft to keep the air sweet, with no drafts.

Double windows and a good investment in a pig house; also tight board shutters to close at night.

Have a skilled veterinarian make a careful examination of the teeth of the old and young horses at the beginning of winter.

Grain For Calves.

A little grain should be fed to calves as soon as skimmilk feeding begins in order to replace the butter fat removed in the cream. Two parts by weight of cracked corn and one of wheat bran make a good grain mixture when every farmer can readily secure and requires no special preparation. The calf should be taught to eat this grain by sprinkling a little of it in the feed box right after feeding the milk. No more grain should be fed than the calf will clean up readily.

The Milk That Sours.

The question of sweet and sour milk, of clean and dirty milk, is purely a question of bacteria. There will be a certain amount of bacteria in all milk, but the kind that makes it sour or unfit for use is the kind that comes in from the outside.

For any pain, burn, scald or bruise, apply Dr. Thomas' Eucletic Oil—the household remedy. Two sizes, 25c and 50c, at all drug stores.—adv.

DUAL PURPOSE CATTLE ON THE ORDINARY FARM

[Prepared by United States department of agriculture.]

THE high prices of meat that have prevailed for years in the United States have led men who hitherto have not thought of the matter to consider the possibility of raising beef cattle. For the man about to engage in this business one of the most important questions is the breed he is to select. Beef cattle are divided into two general classes, the strictly beef breeds and the dual purpose breeds. For the ranchman and the farmer who is in a position to manage a large herd the beef breeds will probably be more profitable. For the small farmer who can keep only a few cattle and must depend upon those he does keep to produce milk and butter for his family the dual purpose breeds are possibly better suited.

In the United States the principal dual purpose breeds are certain types of the Shorthorn, the Red Polls, the Devons and the Brahmans, or "Indian" cattle. The latter, however, are not strictly dual purpose cattle and are of importance only in the extreme south.

THE POPULAR SHORTHORN.

OF all these the most popular is the dual purpose Shorthorn. In this breed the characteristics of the beef bred Shorthorn have been somewhat modified in order to develop the milking qualities. The cows are longer



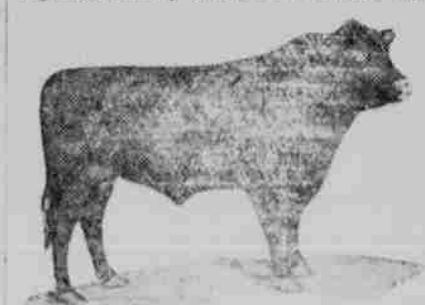
MILKING SHORTHORN COW DEPICTED AND CALF OWNED BY THE MINNESOTA EXPERIMENT STATION

of limb, higher in flank, larger in barrel and thinner in ribs than the beef Shorthorns. They possess, however, many of the same qualities which have made the beef Shorthorns the most popular of all strictly beef breeds. In particular they respond readily to good treatment. Their color may be red, red and white, pure white or roan.

The Red Polls are not so well known as the Shorthorns, since they are a younger breed, but they have already become popular in the Mississippi valley and have given excellent results in grading native cattle in the south. As dual purpose cattle, noted agricultural authorities say they are hard to excel. Many of the cows average over 5,000 pounds of milk a year, usually testing from 37 to 4 per cent fat. The steers make good daily gains and lay on flesh evenly. In size, however, they are smaller than the beef breeds.

GOOD POINTS OF THE DEVONS.

THE Devon is a much older breed than the Red Polls, having been introduced into this country so early that they were popular in New England and parts of Virginia a century ago. At that time the cows were recognized as good milkers, while the steers were used both for work oxen and for beef. The Devon cattle are vigorous, hardy and good runners. As



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work oxen they are fully equal to any breed on account of their endurance, intelligence and their gameness. They are, however, somewhat smaller than the Red Polls, the mature bulls weighing from 1,500 to 2,000 pounds, and the cows from 1,100 to 1,400 pounds. They are solid red in color, and in conformation incline more to the beef type than the dual purpose type. They are slower in growth than the beef breeds and they have, therefore, not become so popular throughout the entire country as their other qualities might lead one to expect. Where the grazing is rather scanty, however, they prove profitable. But on the whole it may be said that the Devon has declined in popularity, together with the general use of oxen as work animals in the United States.

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